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Embassy Tokyo Political Officer delivered reftel demarche May 21 to UN Planning and Administration Division Deputy Director Hideki Masuo. Masuo said that Japan has no objection to the U.S. position, referring to it as "widely praised" among General Assembly members. The discussion would proceed much better if housed within the 5th Committee, Masuo suggested, saying "the situation in the 6th Committee is very difficult." SCHIEFFER